

**Economic Analysis
High Pressure Turbine
Dense Pack Modification**

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Approximately two years ago, Alstom came to Intermountain and presented information on a proposed renovation of the high pressure turbines. GE has subsequently also contacted us regarding the same modification.

The proposed modification involves changing the existing double-flow hp nozzle box to a single flow design. By doing this they are able to add stages to the hp turbine and increase hp section efficiency. Both Alstom and GE claim to have data from installed units showing an increase in turbine efficiency (decrease in flow to achieve the same output) of at least 2.0%.

The modification will be a performance contract including pre- and post-installation testing on the hp turbine section for contract validation. The following economic analysis is provided for both performance benefits and increased generation capacity.

Economic assumptions:

1- Economic life:	20 years (PV of Annuity Factor 11.2)
2- Hours of operation/year:	7884 (8760hrs/yr)(0.9 capacity factor)
3- Cost of money:	6.35%
4- Cost of generation:	\$42,000/ unit hour (\$48.00/MW hr)
5- Avoided cost of maintenance during 2002 outage:	\$708,000
6- Avoided cost of lost generation to rehab the hp nozzle:	\$1,944,000 (3 days of estimated 10 required)
7- Environmental cost of SCR addition:	\$85,000,000/unit
8- Modifications to balance of plant at maximum flow:	\$6,000,000/unit
9- High pressure turbine section retrofit:	\$4,700,000/unit

Additional Generation Capacity at Existing Steam Flow:

Additional potential revenue (20MW)(\$48.00/MW hr)(7884 hrs/yr)	=	\$7,568,640
Payback: $\frac{\$2,048,000 \text{ (Item 9 - Items 5\&6)}}{\$7,568,640}$	=	0.27 years
Cost/ Benefit Ratio: $(7,568,640)(11.2)/(2,048,000)$	=	41.4

Additional Generation Capacity at Maximum Steam Flow (including environmental costs):

Additional potential revenue (50MW)(\$48.00/MW hr)(7884 hrs/yr)	=	\$18,921,600
Payback: $\frac{\$95,700,000 \text{ (Items 7+8+9 - Items 5\&6)}}{\$18,921,600}$	=	5.06 years
Cost/ Benefit Ratio: $(\$18,921,600)(11.2)/(\$95,700,000)$	=	2.21

Performance Improvement at 875MW:

Fuel Savings (2.25%)(6.3MMlb/hr steam flow)(916 BTU/lb)(1/.88 boiler eff.) (\$1.51/MMBTU)(7884hrs/yr)	=	\$1,756,546 (\$2,873,165 @ 1500 BTU/Lb)
Payback: $\frac{\$2,048,000}{\$1,756,546}$	=	1.16 years
Cost/Benefit Ratio: $(\$1,756,546 \times 11.2)/(2,048,000)$	=	9.60

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HP TURBINE RETROFIT		
Bid Award Evaluation		
Item	GEI	Alstom
Requested Unit 2 2002 Outage Start Date	March 29, 2002 One month setback	No Change Requested
Guaranteed Delivery Date for Unit 2 HP	April 1, 2002	March 1, 2002
Guaranteed HP Section Efficiency	92.1%	92.4%
Guaranteed Section Wheel Power Output	293.480 MW	293.6 MW
Unit 1 HP Section - Base Bid	\$4,100,141	\$4,000,000
Unit 2 HP Section - Base Bid	\$4,100,141	\$5,050,000
Field Engineering Services - Unit 1	\$539,676	Included in base bid
Field Engineering Services - Unit 2	\$501,751	Included in base bid
Alignment Services - Unit 1	\$40,100	\$45,000
Alignment Services - Unit 2	\$38,500	\$45,000
Freight - Unit 1	\$25,000	Included in base bid
Freight - Unit 2	\$25,000	Included in base bid
IPSC Cost for Unit 1 HP Disassembly in 2001	0	\$100,000
HP Performance - Bid Evaluation Credit	(\$14,800)	(\$40,000)
HP Output - Bid Evaluation Credit	(\$50,000)	(\$80,000)
OEM Labor - Unit 1 (Not Included in Total Cost)	1,337,993	\$1,260,000
OEM Labor - Unit 2 (Not Included in Total Cost)	1,269,154	\$1,210,000
Total Cost Unit 1 and Unit 2	Price for 42.3 day outage schedule (IPSC Labor)	Price for 30 day outage schedule (IPSC Labor)
	\$9,305,509	\$9,120,000
	Price for 32 day outage schedule (OEM Labor)	Price for 30 day outage schedule (OEM Labor)
	\$11,977,456	\$11,590,000

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IGS Production and Availability History

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Fiscal Year End Comparisons

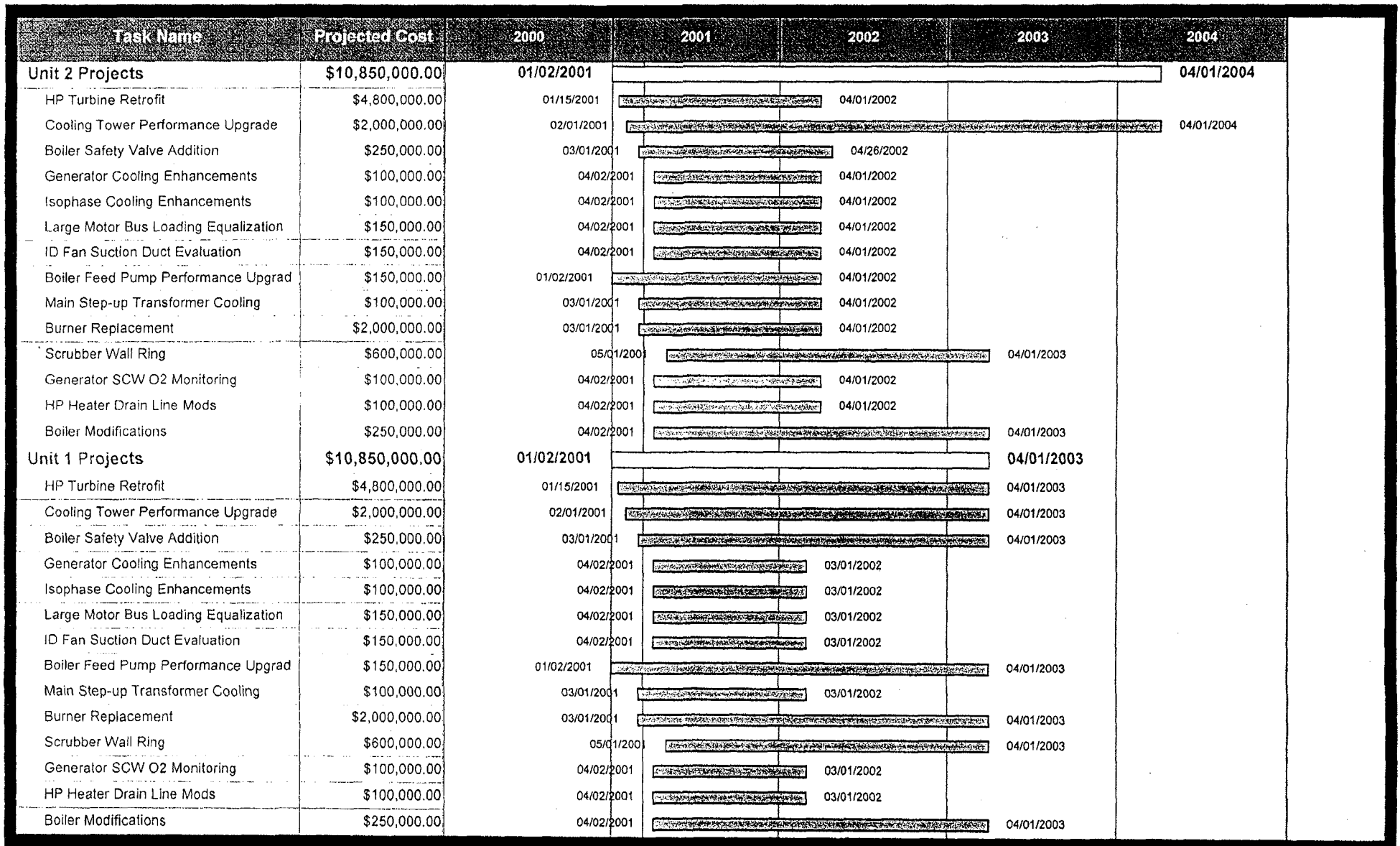
Year		87-88	88-89	89-90	90-91	91-92	92-93	93-94	94-95	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00	Average
Gross Generation	GWH	12,291	10,978	13,410	11,406	12,062	12,680	12,901	11,318	10,386	13,365	13,635	13,956	13,858	12,366
Net Generation	GWH	11,639	10,396	12,724	10,770	11,408	11,999	12,215	10,674	9,786	12,681	12,928	13,235	13,147	11,705
Adjusted Coal Burn*	Ktons	4,826	4,175	5,080	4,372	4,615	4,837	4,883	4,322	3,976	5,112	5,187	5,296	5,235	4,723
Adj Net Station Heat Rate^	Btu/kwhr	9,898	9,647	9,616	9,682	9,637	9,566	9,551	9,611	9,623	9,500	9,493	9,489	9,506	9,609
Availability Factor	%	89.47	80.15	95.12	92.58	91.45	93.23	92.08	92.48	87.91	93.55	94.76	94.09	93.3	91.41
Equivalent Availability Factor	%	89.32	80.02	94.99	92.51	90.24	92.97	91.78	92.04	87.30	93.42	94.64	93.93	92.40	91.10
Forced Outage Rate	%	2.33	1.16	0.58	0.66	0.33	0.29	0.09	0.21	0.19	0.64	0.12	0.68	0.87	0.61
Equiv Forced Outage Rate	%	2.48	1.32	0.72	0.75	1.63	0.56	0.42	0.67	0.87	0.78	0.24	0.72	0.97	0.93
Equiv Unplanned Outage Rate	%	2.79	2.68	1.11	1.63	2.46	0.62	0.63	0.71	0.97	1.37	0.68	1.07	0.99	1.39
Adj Net Capacity Factor**	%	82.81	74.17	90.78	76.84	81.17	85.61	87.15	76.15	69.63	90.48	92.24	94.43	93.54	83.46
Adj Net Output Factor**	%	92.56	92.54	95.62	83.63	88.76	91.84	94.85	82.40	79.24	96.74	97.35	100.44	100.26	91.33
IPSC Annual Expenditures***	\$K	42,375	44,725	44,198	47,754	46,616	44,623	48,455	49,224	48,953	53,281	48,007	47,861	48,092	47,173
IPSC O&M Costs	mils/kwhr	3.641	4.302	3.474	4.434	4.086	3.719	3.967	4.612	5.002	4.202	3.713	3.616	3.658	4.030

NOTES: *Adjusted Coal Inventory applies annual coal pile inventory corrections back over multiple years.

** Net capacity factor and net output factors are calculated using a common reference of 800 MW net (since uprated load in 7/1/95 & 10/1/96).



*** IPSC O&M Budget includes fuel oil, A's & B's, & revenue from fly ash

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HP Turbine Dense Pack Modifications **Operating Options and Economic and Environmental Analysis**

		Unit Operation			Economics				Environmental			
Option	Description	Station Max Gross Load	Station Net Heat Rate (BTU/KWH)	Station Fuel Consumption (Tons/Year)	Total Capital Cost	Benefit Per Year	Payback Period (Years)	Benefit/Cost Ratio	NOx Emissions per Year (Tons)	SO2 Emissions per Year (Tons)	Environmental Assessment	Comments
	Current Operation	1750 MW	9500	5,288,249	NA	NA	NA	NA	26109	2984	Current Emissions limits are 0.5 lbs/MBTU of NOx and 0.15 lbs/MBTU of SO2. Both on rolling 30 day average basis.	Current NOx emissions rate is 0.42 lbs/MBTU and SO2 is 0.048 lbs/MBTU
1	Maintain the same historical maximum load with improved heat rate.	↔	↓	↓					↓	↓	Operating in this manner should not trigger a New Source Review (NSR) or Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) review. Variations from year to year would have to be explained.	There should be no change in NOx and SO2 emissions rate. Total tons per year reductions are from decreased coal burn.
		Same	-214	-118,536	\$9,400,000	\$4,267,282	0.96	11.67	-587	-67		
2	Maintain the same historical steam flow and increase turbine/generator output. (Note 6)	↑	↓	↔					↔	↔	Since the NOx and SO2 emissions should not change, increasing load should not mandate a NSR or PSD review. May be difficult to prove as it varies from year to year naturally.	There should be no change in NOx and SO2 emissions rate.
		40 MW	-214	Same	\$9,600,000	\$15,137,280	0.28	39.46	Same	Same		
3	Install additional plant improvements to increase boiler and other systems capacity. Install moderate NOx reduction equipment (Note 7).	↑	↓	↑					↓	↓	Permitting with moderate NOx control should not be difficult. Current laws would require 0.46 LBS/MBTU limit in the future. Plans for more aggressive reduction (IE: SCR's) should not be made at this time.	Assumes NOx emissions will lower to 0.3 Lbs/MBTU and SO2 emissions will lower to 0.035 Lbs/MBTU (See Note 5)
		100 MW	-214	310,224	\$36,400,000	\$35,784,705	0.87	12.89	-6362	-680		
Item	General Assumptions	Analysis for Option 1				Analysis for Option 2				Notes		
1	Present Value Annuity Factor (P/A, 6.35 %, 20 years):	11.2	Turbine Efficiency Increase (guaranteed by supplier) =				2.25%	Benefit per Year = (Increased Generation)(Equiv. Hrs.) (Cost of Replacement Energy) = \$				\$15,137,280
2	Hours of equivalent operation/year (8760X 0.9 Cap. Factor):	7884	Boiler Heat Input Reduction = Proportional to Turbine Efficiency Increase =				2.25%	Payback Period = (Capital Costs - Avoided Costs) / Benefit per Year = Years				0.28
3	Cost of Fuel (\$/Ton):	\$36	Net Heat Rate Reduction = 2.25%(9500 BTU/KWH) = BTU/KWH				214	Benefit to Cost Ratio = (Benefit per Year)(PV Annuity Factor)/(Capital Costs - Avoided Costs) =				39.46
4	Cost of replacement energy (\$/MWH)	\$48	Reduced Fuel = (Heat Rate Reduction)(Station Net Load)(Equiv.Hrs)/(Coal BTU/Lb)(2000 Lbs/Ton) = (Tons)				118,536					
5	Avoided maintenance cost for the station (Note 1):	\$5,304,000	Benefit per Year = (Reduced Fuel)(Cost of Fuel) =				\$4,267,282	Benefit per Year = (Increased Generation)(Equiv. Hrs.) (Cost of Replacement Energy) - Operating Cost/Year = \$				\$35,784,705
6	High pressure turbine section retrofit.	\$9,400,000	Payback Period = (Capital Costs - Avoided Costs) / Benefit per Year = Years				0.96					
7	Cost of additional plant improvements (Note 2):	\$12,000,000	Benefit to Cost Ratio = (Benefit per Year)(PV Annuity Factor)/(Capital Costs - Avoided Costs) =				11.67	Payback Period = (Capital Costs - Avoided Costs) / Benefit per Year = Years				0.87
8	Cost of moderate NOx control equipment (SNCR):	\$15,000,000						Benefit to Cost Ratio = (Benefit per Year)(PV Annuity Factor)/(Capital Costs - Avoided Costs) =				12.89
9	Operating cost per year for SNCR (Note 4):	\$2,058,495						Increased Fuel = (Decreased Heat Rate)(Increased Net Load)(Equiv.Hrs)/(Coal BTU/Lb)(2000 Lbs/Ton) = (Tons)				310,224
10	Coal (BTU/LB)	11,800										
11	Urea (SNCR Reagent) Utilization per Ton NOx removed (Tons)	1										
12	Cost of Urea per Ton (Note 3)	\$300										
Note 1 - Avoided maintenance cost equals the normal overhaul cost for the turbine HP section plus the avoided outage extension of 3 days to refurbish the HP nozzle block.												
Note 2 - Cost of additional plant improvements are the projects necessary to increase the capacity of all other plant systems to handle the increased load. This includes the cooling towers, main transformer, generator cooling and other systems.												
Note 3 - Cost of Urea is based on \$0.75 per gallon for a 50% liquid solution.												
Note 4 - Operating cost for SNCR includes 1% of the capital cost per year for Maintenance.												
Note 5 - SO2 emissions will decrease by installation of a device to increase scrubber removal efficiency. The device eliminates the "sneakage" of flue gas around the module walls thus improving removal efficiency.												
Note 6 - Capital cost includes an extra \$200,000 for minor modifications to main transformer and isophase duct to handle increased load.												
Note 7 - For this economic analysis, moderate NOx reduction technology is assumed to be Selective Non-Catalytic Reduction (SNCR) because it is well proven. Other technologies such as ultra-low NOx burners will be evaluated before the final decision is made.												

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